

INDIANAPOLIS – Throughout the debate this year over tax restructuring and the state budget shortfall, Republican legislators have called for state spending to be cut or postponed until the economy rebounds. We also believe that a tax increase to get the state through the current budget cycle is not necessary if Gov. Frank O'Bannon will use his authority to put the brakes on spending.

For the first eight months of the state fiscal year, revenue collections are 0.7 percent below the forecast target. Many Hoosier families are making do with household budgets that have been reduced far more dramatically. Why, then, should the state ask Hoosier families to pay more in taxes?

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